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## **Company Overview**

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#### We are Cepton

**Our mission:** Deploy high performance, mass-market lidar to deliver safety and autonomy across multiple industries

Market focus	$\gg$	ADAS in mass market consumer vehicles
Technology advantage	$\gg$	MMT <sup>®</sup> : Highly competitive price for performance with high reliability
Product platform	$\gg$	Comprehensive lidar solution portfolio across hardware and software
Commercial success	$\gg$	Largest known ADAS lidar series production award from General Motors
Tier 1 partners	$\gg$	Collaboration with leading global Tier 1 partners
Visionary team	$\gg$	Founder-led, industry pioneer management team



Note: Micro-Motion Technology (MMT<sup>\*</sup>); Largest known series production win by number of models awarded. (1) Customer projects defined as customers who have made a purchase since 2018. (2) Based on IHS light vehicle production volume rankings for 2019.



#### **Cepton's lidar value proposition**

Achieving optimized balance for performance, cost, and reliability







#### Strong track record of commercial success and innovation



Note: Auto OEMs C, D represent undisclosed customer relationships, rankings based on IHS light vehicle production volume rankings for 2019. (1) Series production contract between GM and Koito. GM is Cepton's end customer. Koito is Cepton's direct customer and strategic partner.



#### **Product leadership validated by world class customers and partners**

#### Largest Known ADAS Lidar Series Production Award to Date

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- Expected 2023 SOP; sole sourced through 2027 via Koito
- Optimum integration location behind the windshield
- Enables state-of-the-art ADAS capabilities
- Seamless cross-platform deployment





Korlo

- World's #1 automotive exterior lighting Tier 1 supplier<sup>(1)</sup>
- 3+ year relationship; \$100M total investment (\$50M Series C, \$50M PIPE)
- Expands from traditional lighting to ADAS technology
- Supports auto-grade certifications and manufacturing



Seamless vehicle integration to enable mass market adoption High volume lidar manufacturing



### Founder led team of lidar industry pioneers

Visionary team with decades of collective experience across advanced lidar and imaging technologies

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<b>Dongyi Liao, PhD</b> Chief Technology Officer	<ul> <li>Previously Senior Vice President of Ap</li> <li>Led engineering teams at Nvidia and</li> <li>Ph.D. in Nuclear Engineering from Ma</li> </ul>	oplications, responsible for all software development co-founder of YourMechanic.com assachusetts Institute of Technology	
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Henri Haefner	Klaus Wagner	Dennis Chang	



Marketing Director Velodyne Lidar





VP of Manufacturing







#### Key target markets - ADAS represents the largest opportunity



Source: Based on Cepton analysis of industry reports; ADAS represents L2+/L3 applications and AV represents L4/L5 applications.



#### GM Ultra Cruise – a strong validation for the entire LiDAR industry

Cepton is proud to support GM's UC program



#### Key Highlights

Ultra Cruise works through a combination of cameras, radars and LiDAR,... **Ultra Cruise also incorporates an integrated LiDAR behind the windshield.** 

Ultra Cruise will join GM's lineup of hands-free advanced driver-assist systems on **select models in 2023**, with Cadillac being the first to introduce the technology.

GM Investor Day Press Release, Oct 6, 2021

"The perception system uses 3 kinds of sensor, ...cameras, radar -- like Super Cruise, and we've also added lidar on the vehicle...Both GM and Cruise have studied lower content systems like vision only and believe they will not meet our performance and safety standards"

Doug Parks - EVP of Global Product Development, Purchasing & Supply Chain Oct 6, 2021



#### GM ADAS lidar series production award overview

Expected deployment on multiple vehicle models associated with 3 major vehicle platforms



#### Secular tailwinds could drive further growth in lidar attach rates

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Attractive price points for ADAS and anticipated transition to feature subscription models



Expected acceleration of EV transition enables hardware upgrades for L2+ ADAS lidar



#### Largest Known L2+ ADAS lidar series production award in industry

Significant anticipated global sales volume and extensive affiliate opportunities



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#### The journey to the ADAS series production award with GM

Strong and established relationship with GM following 3+ years of rigorous engagement





#### Anticipated series production target timeline at GM





#### Multiple platform win results in significant barriers to entry

Long design timeline and significant development investment

#### Embedded in Vehicle Design

ADAS function designed around Cepton lidar (optimized placement, compact design, low power) and specs

Scalability & Lower Cost

Planned mass volume production will enable lower costs across various programs



# Development & Validation

Rigorous 3+ year design cycle

#### Manufacturing & Supply Chain

Embedded in OEM supply chain ecosystem for awarded vehicle platforms and models

GM series production award positions Cepton for potential affiliate and new OEM programs





## **Technology Overview**

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#### **Cepton's superior lidar design choices**

A balanced design approach to achieve a highly competitive performance to price ratio

#### **ILLUMINATION**

#### DETECTION

#### IMAGING

What type of laser to use?		How to measure distance to objects?		How to form 3D images?		
Performance	<ul> <li>High brightness &amp; efficiency with low power consumption</li> </ul>	Performance	✓ Long range detection	Performance ✓ High optical efficiency, wide field of view		
Cost	<ul> <li>Low cost and broadly available</li> </ul>	Cost	<ul> <li>Low cost and broadly available</li> </ul>	Cost	✓ Low cost	
Reliability	<ul> <li>Automotive grade and broadly available</li> </ul>	Reliability	<ul> <li>✓ Automotive grade and broadly available</li> </ul>	Reliability	<ul> <li>Frictionless, longevity, tolerant to harsh conditions</li> </ul>	
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#### **Cepton's breakthrough MMT® for lidar imaging**

Patent-protected, innovative lidar technology

IMAGING					
MICRO MOTION TECHNOLOGY (MMT <sup>®</sup> )					
Scalable, licensable technology platform Mirrorless, rotation-free, frictionless 3D imaging					
Reliable	Durable, uses traditional / common materials				
Versatile	Ability to achieve near- to ultra-long range and wide field of view				
Innovative	Design simplicity combined with precision innovation Anchor patent covering all aspects				
Efficient	Compact form factor, low power, inexpensive components				
Scalable	Capability to scale-up to high manufacturing volumes				





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#### **Cepton's proprietary lidar engine ASIC**

Lidar functionality embedded in miniature system-on-chip (SOC)

#### **ILLUMINATION** | **DETECTION** SINGLE-CHIP LIDAR ENGINE ASIC Feature-rich, powerful data processing SoC for lidar Combines illumination control and detection functions Off-the-shelf, mature silicon process technology, Reliable manufactured by a top silicon foundry Lidar illumination control combined with sophisticated Powerful detection engine State-of-the-art signal processing maximizes range and Innovative minimizes noise Low cost, low power design, seamlessly integrated into Inexpensive proprietary micro-optical array **Available** Already shipping in automotive B-sample lidars





#### **Cepton lidars: among smallest, most compact for ADAS**

Cepton lidars are ideally suited for OEM implementation and integration

# Behind windshield

- Easier portability across platforms
- Existing cleaning mechanism
- Potential for integrated sensor farm
- Superior road vision



- Compact design for easy placement
- Elegant, hidden integration
- Existing cleaning mechanism
- Dual sensor design for cut-in detection



- Minimal new real-estate needed
- Easily embeddable / non-intrusive
- Flexible placement for application



Compact size adapted for space constraints



Power efficient



Mature and scalable design for manufacturing





#### Cepton's end-to-end lidar solution platform

Comprehensive ADAS lidar solution portfolio across hardware and software





## **Business Update**





- Signed investment agreement on October 27, 2022 for \$100 million investment from long-term automotive Tier 1 partner and current shareholder, Koito Manufacturing of Japan, in the form of convertible preferred stock ("CPS")
- CPS will be convertible into shares of Cepton's common stock at an initial conversion price of \$2.585 per share, representing a 13.4%, 14.4%, and 25.5% premium to the day-prior closing price, 30-day VWAP, and 90-day VWAP, respectively
- Transaction closed on January 20, 2023



# Series Production Execution

- Shipped pre-production units across multiple vehicle platforms to support deployment on more vehicles, in more regions, at more price points
- Additional details of the safe deployment of handsfree technology, including placement of Cepton lidar, shared by General Motors on March 7, 2023





## GM Ultra Cruise Update (March 7, 2023)

- GM's next-generation advanced driver assistance system (ADAS) designed to enable hands-free driving in 95% of all driving scenarios
- Comprehensive update on lidar's role in the Ultra Cruise sensor suite
- Unique behind the windshield integration utilizing Cepton lidar
  - Accurate three-dimensional view of the scene
  - Precise detection of objects and road features
  - Operates in inclement weather conditions
- Announced official initial launch on the Cadillac CELESTIQ



#### Newsroom:

GM's Safe Deployment of Hands-Free Technology Shapes Ultra Cruise

Ultra Cruise will debut a unique sensor suite, providing the system with a 360-degree view of the vehicle's surroundings





Source: https://news.gm.com/newsroom.detail.html/Pages/news/us/en/2023/mar/0307-handsfree.html.



## Automotive

- Continued to advance toward series production awards at global top-10 OEMs where we have completed the RFI process
- In discussions with our current OEM customer for additional vehicle models and to extend program duration
  - Current award has an estimated value of over \$1 billion dollars



## **Cepton + Koito – A Winning Partnership**

- Koito, Cepton's automotive Tier-1 partner, strengthens partnership through \$100M PIPE investment (closed Jan. 2023)
  - Total investment of \$200M across three investment rounds
  - Largest strategic investor in Cepton
  - Latest PIPE investment in the form of convertible preferred stock at an initial conversion price of \$2.585
  - Funds will be used to fund Cepton's next stage of growth as it scales its lidar solutions for mass deployment
- Announced expanded collaboration efforts with Koito in Jun. 2022
  - Plans to increase scope of automotive development efforts beyond the current series production program
  - Focused on conducting joint go-to-market activities with select automotive customers, initially targeting Japanese automotive OEMs



# Smart Infrastructure

- Won multi-million dollar sales contract from one of the largest highway tolling system operators in the United States
- Tolling and Smart Airport emerging as most promising near-term applications for lidar







# Technology

- Unveiled next-generation Vista<sup>®</sup>-X120 Plus at CES 2023, winner of the Vehicle Technology & Advanced Mobility Innovation Award
- Taped out new point cloud processing ASIC, complementing our industry leading signal processing ASIC, as we continue to execute our ASIC roadmap for improved performance and lower cost
- Dr. Dongyi Liao is promoted to CTO as Cepton emphasizes the value of software in its expanding deployment of automotive lidar in the coming years
  - Current CTO Dr. Mark McCord to chair Cepton's newly created Technology Advisory Board and remain in charge of Cepton's IP portfolio



#### **Award-Winning Suite of New Products – Long Range Lidar**



#### Vista<sup>®</sup>-X120 Plus

CES Innovation Award Vehicle Tech & Advanced Mobility





World's slimmest software-definable, top-end automotivegrade lidar



30 degrees wider field of view, 20% reduction in size and 50% reduction in height vs. Vista X-90



Shipped first samples to global top-10 OEM for evaluation



Target volume price point below \$500

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#### Award-Winning Suite of New Products – Near Range Lidar



#### Nova

AutoTech Breakthrough Award Automotive Sensor Hardware Solution of the Year



AUTOMOTIVE SENSOR HARDWARE SOLUTION OF THE YEAR



Miniature, wide field of view, near range lidar sensor



Automotive-grade reliability, small form factor and low power consumption



Ideal for ADAS, autonomous vehicles, autonomous ground vehicles (AGV) and smart industrial applications



Supporting new Level 4 AGV project with a Top 10 Automotive OEM





#### **Expanded Footprint in Metro Detroit with New Center of Excellence Facility**

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# **Financial Update**

Q4'22 & Full Year 2022



## Q4'22 | Financial Results

(\$ in millions)



- Lidar product Revenue
- Development Revenue
- Q4'22 revenues increased 23% year-over-year including 5% growth in lidar product revenues and 73% growth in development revenues

## Full Year 2022 | Financial Results

(\$ in millions)



Lidar product Revenue

Development Revenue

- FY'22 revenues increased 65% year-over-year including 92% growth in lidar product revenues and 14% growth in development revenues
- FY'22 revenues of \$7.4M in-line with prior guidance

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#### Full Year 2023 | Guidance

# \$15M - \$20M

Full Year 2023 Revenue

Full Year 2023 operating expenses expected to be in line with Full Year 2022



#### **Cash Position and Liquidity Update**



- Liquidity position expected to be sufficient to support launch and ramp of current series production award
- Cash and liquidity position at close of \$100M investment from Koito in Jan. 2023







## Q4'22 | Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income (Loss) to Non-GAAP Net Loss and Non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA

(\$ in thousands)	 Three months ended December 31,			
	2022		2021	
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (15,251)	\$	(10,819)	
Stock-based compensation	2,289		1,656	
Non-recurring transaction expenses	-		82	
Gain on changes in fair value of earnout liability	(3,210)		-	
Gain on changes in fair value of warrant liability	(326)		-	
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt	958		-	
Foreign currency transaction loss, net	2,168		-	
Non-GAAP net loss	\$ (13,372)	\$	(9,081)	
Interest expense (income), net	914		-	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(6)		3	
Depreciation and amortization	120		59	
Non-GAAP adjusted EBITDA	\$ (12,344)	\$	(9,019)	





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## Full Year 2022 | Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income (Loss) to Non-GAAP Net Loss and Non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA

(\$ in thousands)	Year ended December 31,				
	2022		2021		
Net Income (Loss)	\$	9,380	\$	(37,242)	
Stock-based compensation		8,243		4,995	
Non-recurring transaction expenses		3,009		1,075	
Gain on changes in fair value of earnout liability		(74,078)		-	
Gain on changes in fair value of warrant liability		(2,875)		-	
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt		958		(1,121)	
Loss on disposal of property and equipment		-		42	
Foreign currency transaction loss, net		2,168		-	
Non-GAAP net loss	\$	(53,195)	\$	(32,251)	
Interest expense (income), net		2,511		(15)	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		16		20	
Depreciation and amortization		344		210	
Non-GAAP adjusted EBITDA	\$	(50,324)	\$	(32,036)	



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